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Dear Examiner Thomson:

Enclosed please find the following documents: 8 Pg Amendment; 1 Pg Petition for Extension of Time; 1 Pg PTO Form 2038; 1 Pg Fax Transmittal Letter.

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AMENDMENT AND REMARKS

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action as mailed September 30, 2002. Applicant has enclosed herein a Petition for a one month extension of time along with the appropriate fee. In response to the Office Action of September 30, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Applicant is presenting amended claims herein for consideration without prejudice. Applicant traverses the examiners initial rejection of claims and applicant intends to pursue the claims as originally drafted, or the scope of the claims as originally drafted, in a continuation application.

Please amend the claims as follows without prejudice:

1. (Amended) A firearm comprising:

- a) an elongate barrel having a length of at least three feet, said elongate barrel having a breach end and a muzzle end; and
- b) a plurality of vents disposed through said elongate barrel, said vents initiating beyond twelve inches from said breach end, said vents